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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph [0003] on page 4 with the following amended paragraph:

[0003] According to a broad aspect of the present invention, there is provided a casted concrete block surface-roughing machine having an in-line conveyor displaceable over a stationary horizontal support surface for ~~sliding~~slidingly supporting a lower surface of concrete blocks displaced thereon by the conveyor. At least two pairs of spaced-apart vertically supported conveyor belts are disposed to engage opposed side faces of the concrete blocks to displace them along these stationary horizontal support surface. One of the pairs of the conveyor belts engages the opposed side faces in a lower surface section of the blocks to expose an upper surface section thereof to be abraded by respective surface abrading devices. The other of the pairs of conveyor belts engage the opposed side faces in the upper section of the concrete block to expose the lower surface section thereof to be abraded by further respective surface abrading devices.

Please replace paragraph [00016] on pages 4 and 5 with the following amended paragraph:

[00016] As can be seen from Fig. 1 there is provided two pairs of spaced apart vertically supported conveyor belts namely belt 6 and ~~6-16'~~. These belts are secured at different horizontal elevations from one another for the reason as will be described herein. Both these pairs of spaced apart vertically supported conveyor belts are disposed to engage opposed side faces 7 of the concrete blocks 5 to displace them along a straight path over the stationary horizontal support surface. A pair of belts 6 in the front section 13 engage the opposed side faces 7 of the block in a lower surface section of the block whereby to expose an upper surface section ~~7-17'~~ to be abraded by respective abrading devices herein an upper side surface abrading device 14. The other pair of conveyor belts 6' engage the opposed side faces 7 of the concrete blocks whereby to expose the lower surface section 7'' of the block to be abraded by further lower section side face abrading devices 15. It

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was pointed out that the size of the casted concrete blocks 7, as herein shown is exaggerated for purpose of illustration and usually these blocks are of smaller dimension.

Please replace paragraph [00017] on page 5 with the following amended paragraph:

[00017] As illustrated more clearly in Fig. 2 there is illustrated the first two abrading stations of the front section 13 of the roughing machine and as herein shown, it comprises a pair of top side edge abrading devices 16 and 16' followed a top surface abrading device 17. These abrading devices are comprised essentially by a plurality of chains 18 secured to a motor driven axle assembly 19 and of a motor 20 which is secured to a support frame 21. As shown in Fig. 3 the top side edge of abrading device 16 and 16' have their frame 21 mounted on a carriage 23 which is displaceable on a guide frame 24 whereby to position the chains at predetermined position with respect to the concrete casted blocks whereby to impact a desired region thereof and as herein shown the top corners 24 on opposed sides of the concrete casted blocks 5. As also herein shown the stationary horizontal support surface is constituted by a pair of metal rails 25 having a flat top support surface. Of course a single rail could be provided but it has been found that using two rails which are adjustably mounted on displaceable frames 26, there is provided a better ease of adjustment to support casted stones of different widths.

Please replace paragraph [00018] on pages 5 and 6 with the following amended paragraph:

[00018] As shown in Fig. 3, the concrete casted block 5 is provided with flat opposed side surfaces 7' flat end surfaces 5' and a flat bottom surface 5''. The top surface 27 is a fragmented surface which is caused by splitting a larger block, casted with all flat surfaces, in half such as to provide a rough surface which is usually the surface to be exposed. However, such surface has jagged edges and it is necessary to smooth out the jagged edges. To do this there is provided the device 19 which is in contact with the top surface. Further, the rear section 28 of the surface roughing machine 1 has additional top

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surface roughing machines 30 and 31 but these have chain links of smaller size whereby to smooth out the roughened edges. Finally there is provided a smaller surface treating machine 32 which is constructed similar to the other roughing machines but is equipped with a hard bristled brush 33 on its shaft 32' to clean the top surface and to further smooth out the rough edges. As herein shown there is still further provided under the rear section of the machine a pair of roughing devices 35 only one herein shown, and mounted similar to the roughened devices 16 and 16' whereby to roughen the lower corners of the block 7'' in the exposed lower section ~~7.1+7"~~ of the side wall of the block.